CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication:	NOSCARS 2014
Other known title(s):	Not stated
OFLC ref:	1400829.000
Medium:	DVD
Director:	Various
Producer:	Various
Country of origin:	New Zealand
Language:	English
Applicant:	Newlands College
Classification:	Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 13 years or who are accompanied by a parent or guardian.
Excisions:	No excisions recommended
Descriptive note:	Contains violence.
Display conditions:	None
Date of entry in Register:	23 September 2014
Date of direction to issue a label:	23 September 2014
Date of notice of decision:	23 September 2014

	Components	Running time
Timed component(s):	Hard Case	5:19
	The Fence	4:40
	True Love Kiss	5:04
	Mistake	4:04
	The Path	6:48
	Fixated	7:24
	Night Light	5:19
	Asesino	6:57
	Rise Of The Repiltians	5:04
	Sugar Rush	5:05
	Natural Selection	3:38
	Super Zero	4:51
	Thinking Of You	6:20
	Elegy	4:50
	I'm Sorry	4:51
	Anomalistic	4:47
	Erravi	5:09
	Mute	5:03
	Square	3:51
Total running time:		99:04

Summary of reasons for decision:

The DVD is a compilation of 19 short films made by students of Newlands College to be shown at a public screening of the NOSCARS 2014 film festival. The short films deal with matters of crime, cruelty and violence in a brief but at times realistic manner. The treatment of these matters is often light-hearted but one short in particular contains violence that is more graphic and disturbing, and is likely to shock and disturb children. Clarification by an accompanying parent or guardian will reduce the impact of this short and minimise the risk of injury to the public good.

The short films have artistic and social merit and are intended to be seen by an audience of family and friends who support the filmmakers. The classification of RP13 protects against injury to the public good without excessively limiting freedom of expression provided by the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990.